(b) The entire production of SPM, Hoshangabad, is consumed by Currency Note Press, Nashik/Bank Note Press, Dewas. The requirement of currency paper is much in excess of the production of SPM, Hoshangabad. The import are meant to bridge the gap between demand and indigenous supply. Hence, the operation of Security Paper Mill, Hoshangabad or the indigenous technology are not effected.

(c) The old and obsolete machines have been replaced from time to time. The Government has decided that no further capital investment is to be made except for maintaining the existing level of production.

Damage to Periyar Dam

*99. SHRI V. P. DURAISAMY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that unlawful entry of people into Periyar Dam on 15th January, 2001, has affected the structure of the dam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what strict measures Government would take to stop entry of unlawful people to the Periyar Dam site?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Government of Kerala has been requested to issue suitable instructions to all concerned to strictly regulate the entry of visitors to the dam site, so as to ensure its safety.

Chinese delegations visit to Surat Diamond Industry

*100. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the frequent visits of Chinese delegation to Surat's diamond industry which polished almost 80 per cent of the World's rough diamonds for alluring the business community to set up their trade in China;